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SUBJECT: ALO CONFERENCE MAY BE SHIFTED FROM MAURITANIA TO
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1. ACCORDING TO RELIABLE EGYPTIAN SOURCE WHO WAS RECENTLY IN

CAIRO, ARAB LABOR ORGANIZATION (ALO) CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FOR NOUAKCHOTT IN MARCH IS LIKELY TO BE SHIFTED ELSEWHERE AND MAY BE POSTPONED SOMEWHAT IN THE PROCESS. ALSO HQS OFFICIALS IN CAIRO TOLD SOURCE THAT THEY HAVE LEARNED THAT NEW HOTEL UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN NOUAKCHOTT THAT IS SUPPOSED TO HOUSE CONFERENCE DELEGATES WILL NOT BE COMPLETED IN TIME. AS A RESULT, ALO SEC GEN HAS GONE TO MALYIHAND THE EXTENT OF CONSTRUCTION DELAY AND TO OBTAIN MAURITANIAN ACQUIESCENCE IN CHANGE OF CONFERENCE VENUE. ALO OFFICIALS EXPECT NEW SITE WILL BE EITHER CAIRO OR ALEXANDRIA. THEY HAVE ALREADY APPROACHED EGYPTIAN MANPOWER MINISTER BALTIYA WHO REPORTEDLY WILLING TO ARRANGE FOR EITHER SITE--PROVIDED HE HAS MINIMUM OF TWO MONTHS' ADVANCE NOTICE TO ENSURE SUFFICIENT HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS.

2. COMMENTS: ANNUAL CONFERENCE IS PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY OF ALO AND OCCASION FOR ARABS, ON TRIPARTITE BASIS, TO THRASH OUT CURRENT ISSUES AND ATTEMPT TO SET POLITICAL LINE FOR ILO CONFERENCE HELVSTHEREAFTER. AT THIS YEAR'S ALO MEETING, MODERATE ELEMENTS WILL BE REINFORCED BY FIRST-TIME PARTICIPATION OF DELEGATIONS FROM BAHRAIN AND SAUDI ARABIA. SHIFT OF CONFERENCE SITE TO EGYPT MAY ALSO STRENGTHEN HAND OF MODERATES THROUGH ENHANCED EGYPTIAN INFLUENCE IN CORRIDORS AND PROCEEDINGS.
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